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**(57) Abstract**

The present invention relates to *Candida albicans* proteins, such as CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp, associated with virulence and hyphal formation and uses thereof, such as to design screening tests for inhibitors for the treatment of pathogenic fungi infections and/or inflammation conditions. The invention also relates to an *in vitro* screening test for compounds to inhibit the biological activity of at least one protein selected from the group consisting of CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp, which comprises: a) at least one of said proteins; and b) means to monitor the biological activity of said at least one protein; thereby compounds are tested for their inhibiting potential.

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**CANDIDA ALBICANS PROTEINS ASSOCIATED WITH VIRULENCE AND  
HYPHAL FORMATION AND USES THEREOF**

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

5 (a) Field of the Invention

The invention relates to *Candida albicans* proteins, such as CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp, associated with virulence and hyphal formation and uses thereof, such as to design screening tests for inhibitors for the treatment of pathogenic fungi infections and/or inflammation conditions.

(b) Description of Prior Art

*Candida albicans* is the major fungal pathogen in humans, causing various forms of candidiasis. The incidence of infections is increasing in immunocompromised patients. This fungus is diploid with no sexual cycle and is capable of a morphological transition from a unicellular budding yeast to a filamentous form. Extensive filamentous growth leads to the formation of a mycelium displaying hyphae with branches and lateral buds. In view of the observation that hyphae seem to adhere to and invade host tissues more readily than does the yeast form, the switch from the yeast to the filamentous form probably contributes to the virulence of this organism (for a review see Fidel, P. L. & Sobel, J. D. (1994) *Trends Microbiol.* 2, 202-205). The molecular mechanisms by which morphological switching is regulated are poorly understood.

Like *C. albicans*, bakers yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is also a dimorphic organism capable of switching under certain nutritional conditions from a budding yeast to a filamentous form. Under the control of nutritional signals, diploid cells switch to pseudohyphal growth (Gimeno, C. J. et al. (1992) *Cell* 68, 1077-1090), and haploid cells to invasive growth

(Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985).

The similarities between the dimorphic switching of *S. cerevisiae* and *C. albicans* suggest that these morphological pathways may be regulated by similar mechanisms in both organisms. In *S. cerevisiae*, morphological transitions are controlled by signaling components that are also involved in the mating response of haploid cells (Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985; Liu, H. et al. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744). The switch to pseudohyphal growth requires a transcription factor encoded by the *STE12* gene, and a mitogen-activated protein (MAP) kinase cascade including Ste7p (a homolog of MAP kinase kinase or MEK), Ste11p (a MEK kinase homolog) and Ste20p (a MEK kinase kinase) (Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985; Liu, H. et al. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744). The MAP kinases involved in this response are as yet unknown (Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985; Liu, H. et al. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744).

Members of the Ste20p family of serine/threonine protein kinases are thought to be involved in triggering morphogenetic processes in response to external signals in organisms ranging from yeast to mammalian cells. Two of these kinases, Ste20p and Cla4p, are well characterized in *S. cerevisiae* (Leberer, E. et al. (1992) *EMBO J.* **11**, 4815-4824; Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830). Ste20p is required for pheromone signal transduction (Leberer, E. et al. (1992) *EMBO J.* **11**, 4815-4824) and for filamentous growth in response to nitrogen starvation (Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985; Liu, H. et al. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744), and shares an essential function with Cla4p during budding (Cvrckova,

F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830). Ste20p and Cla4p interact with the small G-protein Cdc42p, and this interaction is required for viability of *S. cerevisiae* cells. Ste20p also interacts with the SH3 domain protein Bemlp, and this interaction plays a role in morphogenetic processes (Leeuw, T. et al. (1995) *Science* **270**, 1210-1213).

Here we show that Cst20p, a *C. albicans* homolog of the Ste20p protein kinase, is required for hyphal growth of *C. albicans* under certain *in vitro* conditions. We also show in a mouse model for systemic candidiasis that Cst20p plays a role in virulence, as judged from significantly prolonged survival of mice infected with *CST20* deleted cells. Our results suggest that Cst20p acts in a regulatory pathway which is involved in hyphal growth of *C. albicans*.

We also demonstrate that CaCla4p, a *C. albicans* homolog of the Cla4p protein kinase, is required for hyphal formation *in vitro* in response to serum, and *in vivo* in a mouse model for systemic candidiasis. We also show that CaCla4p is required for efficient colonization of kidneys with *C. albicans* cells after infection of mice and essential for virulence in the mouse model.

#### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

One aim of the present invention is to provide *Candida albicans* proteins, such as CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp, and their uses thereof.

One aim of the present invention is to provide the nucleotide and amino acid sequences of CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp.

Another aim of the present invention is to provide screening tests for inhibitors of CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp or of their interactions.

The term "fungi" when used herein is intended to mean any fungi, pathogenic or not, which show hyphal induction using kinases, such as *C. albicans*, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Aspergillus*, *Ustilago maydis*, and all the species of the fungal genera *Aspergillus*, *Blastomyces*, *Candida*, *Cladosporium*, *Coccidioides*, *Cryptococcus*, *Epidermophyton*, *Exophilia*, *Fonsecaea*, *Histoplasma*, *Madurella*, *Malassezia*, *Microsporum*, *Paracoccidioides*, *Penicillium*, *Phaeoannellomyces*, *Phialophora*, *Scedosporium*, *Sporothrix*, *Torulopsis*, *Trichophyton*, *Trichosporon*, *Ustilago*, *Wangiella*, *Xylohypha*, among others.

In accordance with the present invention there is provided an *in vitro* screening test for compounds to inhibit the biological activity of at least one protein selected from the group consisting of CaCla4p, Cst20p, Cdc42p and Bemlp, which comprises:

- a) at least one of the proteins; and
  - b) means to monitor the biological activity of at least one protein;
- thereby compounds are tested for their inhibiting potential.

In accordance with another embodiment of the present invention, the inhibition of the interactions between CaCla4p and CaCdc42p is determined.

In accordance with another embodiment of the present invention, the inhibition of the interactions between Cst20p and CaCdc42p is determined.

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Figs. 1A to 1D illustrate photomicrographs which show that *C. albicans* *CST20* gene complements defects in pseudohyphal growth of *ste20/ste20 S. cerevisiae* diploid cells.

Figs. 2A to 2C show the morphology of *S. cerevisiae* MAT $\alpha$  cells (strain YEL306-1A) deleted for *STE20* and *CLA4*, and transformed with plasmids expressing *CLA4*

(Fig. 2A), *STE20* (Fig. 2B) and *C. albicans* *CST20* (Fig. 2C).

Figs. 3A to 3C show the nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:5) and predicted amino acid sequences of *CST20* (SEQ ID NO:6).

Fig. 4A is the deletion of *CST20* in *C. albicans*.

Fig. 4B is the Southern blot analysis with a *CST20* fragment from *EcoRI* to *XbaI* as a probe.

Figs. 5A to 5J show colonies of *C. albicans* cells grown for 5 days at 37°C on solid "Spider" medium containing mannitol. Wild type strain SC5314 (A), *ura3/ura3 cst20Δ/cst20Δ::URA3* strain CDH22 (B), *ura3/ura3 cst20Δ/cst20Δ::CST20::URA3* strain CDH36 (obtained by reintegration of *CST20* into strain CDH25 by homologous recombination using linearized plasmid pDH190) (C), *ura3/ura3 cst20Δ/cst20Δ* strain CDH25 transformed with plasmids pYPB1-ADHpt (D) and pYPB1-ADHpt-HST7 (E), *ura3/ura3 hst7Δ/hst7Δ* strain CDH12 transformed with plasmids pVEC (F), pVEC-HST7 (G), pYPB1-ADHpt (H), and pYPB1-ADHpt-HST7 (I), and *ura3/ura3 cph1/cph1* strain CDH72 [*ura3/ura3* derivative of strain JK19] transformed with pYPB1-ADHpt-HST7 (J). Photomicrographs of representative colonies were taken with a 2x lens (bar=2mm).

Figs. 6A to 6C illustrate virulence assays. Survival curves of mice (n=10 for each *C. albicans* strain at each inoculation dose) infected with  $1 \times 10^6$  (A) and  $1 \times 10^5$  (B) cells of *C. albicans* strains SC5314 (wild type), CAI4 (*ura3/ura3*), CDH22 (*ura3/ura3 cst20Δ/cst20Δ::URA3*) (C) Staining of mouse kidney sections with periodic acid Schiff's stain 48 hours after infection with *cst20Δ/cst20Δ::URA3* mutant strain CDH22 (a). Some hyphal cells are indicated with arrows (bar=0.1 mm).

Figs. 7A to 7B illustrate the nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:7) and predicted amino acid (SEQ ID NO:8) sequences of *CaCLA4*.

Fig. 8A illustrates the deletion of *CaCLA4* in *C. albicans*.

Fig. 8B illustrates the Southern blot analysis with the *CaCLA4* fragment from *Pst*I to *Xba*I as a probe.

Fig. 8C illustrates the Northern blot analysis with the *CaCLA4* fragment as a probe. PCR with the divergent oligodeoxynucleotides OEL109 and OEL110 was used to delete the coding sequence of *CaCLA4*. A *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette was then inserted, and homologous recombination was used in a two-step procedure to replace both *CaCLA4* alleles.

Fig. 9 illustrates virulence assays. Survival curves of mice (n=15 for each *C. albicans* strain) infected with  $1 \times 10^6$  cells of *C. albicans* strains SC5314 (wild-type), CDH77 (*CaCLA4/cac1a4A*), CLJ1 (*cac1a4A/cac1a4A*) and CLJ5 (*CaC1a4A/cac1a4A*) transformed with the control plasmid pVEC and plasmid pVEC-*CaCLA4* carrying the *CaCLA4* gene.

Fig. 10 illustrates the staining of mouse kidney sections with periodic acid Schiff's stain 48 h after infection with *C. albicans* strains SC5314 and CLJ1.

Fig. 11 illustrates the nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:9) and predicted amino acid (SEQ ID NO:10) sequences of *CaCdc42p*.

Figs. 12A to 12B illustrate the nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:11) and predicted amino acid (SEQ ID NO:12) sequences of *CaBem1p*.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The *CST20* gene of *Candida albicans* was cloned by functional complementation of a deletion of the *STE20* gene in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. *CST20* encodes a homolog of the Ste20p/p65<sup>PAK</sup> family of protein kinases.



Colonies of *C. albicans* cells deleted for *CST20* revealed defects in the lateral formation of mycelia on synthetic solid "Spider" media. However, hyphal development was not impaired in some other media. Cells  
5 deleted for *CST20* were less virulent in a mouse model for systemic candidiasis. Our results suggest that more than one signaling pathway can trigger hyphal development in *C. albicans*, one of which has a protein kinase cascade that is analogous to the mating response  
10 pathway in *S. cerevisiae* and might have become adapted to the control of mycelial formation in asexual *C. albicans*.

The *CaCLA4* gene of *C. albicans* was cloned by functional complementation of the growth defect of *S.*  
15 *cerevisiae* cells deleted for the *STE20* and *CLA4* genes. *CaCLA4* encodes a homolog of the Ste20p family of serine/threonine protein kinases with pleckstrin homology and Cdc42p binding domains in the amino-terminal non-catalytic region. Deletion of both alleles of *CaCLA4* in  
20 *C. albicans* caused defects in hyphal formation *in vitro* in synthetic liquid and solid media, and *in vivo* in a mouse model for systemic candidiasis. The deletions reduced the invasion of *C. albicans* cells into kidneys after infection into mice and completely suppressed  
25 virulence in the mouse model. Thus, hyphal formation of *C. albicans* mediated by the CaCla4p protein kinase may contribute to the pathogenicity of this dimorphic fungus.

The *CaBEM1* and *CaCDC42* genes of *C. albicans* were  
30 cloned by functional complementation of the growth defect of *S. cerevisiae* cells deleted for the *BEM1* and *CDC42* genes, respectively. *CaBEM1* encodes an SH3 domain protein with homology to Bem1p, and *CaCDC42* encodes a small G-protein with homology to members of  
35 the Rho-family of G-proteins.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Yeast manipulations

The yeast form of *C. albicans* was cultured at 30°C in YPD medium. Hyphal growth was induced at 37°C on solid "Spider" media (Liu, H. et al. (1994) *Science* **266**, 1723-1726) containing 1% (w/v) nutrient broth, 0.2% (w/v) K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, 2% (w/v) agar and 1% (w/v) of the indicated sugars (pH 7.2 after autoclaving). Cells were grown in liquid "Spider" media at 30°C to stationary phase, and then incubated for 5 days at 37°C on solid "Spider" media at a density of about 200 cells per 80 mm plates. All media were supplemented with uridine (25 µg/ml) for the growth of Ura<sup>-</sup> strains. Germ tube formation was induced at 37°C in either 10% fetal bovine serum (GIBCO/BRL) on liquid "Spider" media containing the indicated sugars at an inoculation density of 10<sup>7</sup> cells per ml.

Yeast manipulations were performed according to standard procedures.

### Isolation of *CST20*

The *CST20* gene was isolated from a genomic *C. albicans* library constructed in plasmid YEp352 from genomic DNA of the clinical isolate W01 (Boone, C. et al. (1991) *J. Bacteriol.* **173**, 6859-6864). A plasmid carrying an amino-terminally truncated version of *CST20* missing the first 918 nucleotides of coding sequence was isolated by screening for suppressors of defects in basal *FUS1::HIS3* expression and mating in *S. cerevisiae* strain YEL64 which was disrupted in *STE20*. A fragment from nucleotides 958 to 1,252 of *CST20* was amplified by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and used as a probe to isolate a full length clone by colony hybridization to the *C. albicans* genomic library transformed into *E. coli* strain MC1061. Both DNA strands were sequenced by

the dideoxy chain termination method. The full length clone was subcloned between the *SacI* and *HindIII* sites of the *S. cerevisiae* centromere plasmid pRS316 to yield plasmid pRL53.

## 5 Isolation of CaCLA4

The *S. cerevisiae* MAT $\alpha$  strain YEL257-1A-2 deleted for *STE20* and *CLA4* and carrying plasmid pDH129 with *CLA4* under control of the *GAL1* promoter was transformed with the genomic *C. albicans* library constructed in the *S. cerevisiae* vector YEp352 carrying *URA3* as selectable marker (Boone, C. et al. (1991) *J. Bacteriol.* **173**, 6859-6864). Transformants were grown on selective medium in 4% galactose and then replica-plated to selective medium containing 2% glucose to select for plasmids that were able to support growth in the absence of Cla4p and Ste20p. By screening 1,600 transformants, we isolated plasmid YEp352-CaCLA4 carrying an insert of 5.6 kb with an open reading frame of 2,913 bp capable of encoding a homolog of Cla4p. Sub-cloning indicated that this open reading frame was responsible for complementation. Both DNA strands were sequenced by the dideoxy chain termination method.

## Molecular cloning of CaCDC42

The *S. cerevisiae* MAT $\alpha$  strain DJTD2-16A carrying the *cdc42-1<sup>ts</sup>* mutation was transformed with the genomic *C. albicans* library constructed in the *S. cerevisiae* vector YEp352 carrying *URA3* as selectable marker (Boone, C. et al. (1991) *J. Bacteriol.* **173**, 6859-6864). Transformants were grown on selective medium at room temperature. Colonies were then replica-plated to selective medium and grown at 34°C. By screening 2,000 transformants, we isolated plasmid YEp352-CaCDC42 carrying an open reading frame of 573 bp capable of encoding a homolog of Cdc42p. Both DNA strands were sequenced by the dideoxy chain termination method. Sub-

cloning of various restriction endonuclease fragments indicated that the open reading frame was responsible for complementation of the temperature-sensitive growth defect caused by the *cdc42-1<sup>ts</sup>* mutation.

## 5 Molecular cloning of *CaBEM1*

The *S. cerevisiae* *MAT $\alpha$*  strain YEL220-1A deleted for *BEM1* and carrying plasmid pGAL-BEM1 with *BEM1* under control of the *GAL1* promoter was transformed with the genomic *C. albicans* library constructed in the *S. cere-*  
visiae vector YEp352 carrying *URA3* as selectable marker  
(Boone, C. et al. (1991) *J. Bacteriol.* **173**, 6859-6864). Transformants were grown on selective medium in 4% galactose and then replica-plated to selective medium containing 2% glucose to select for plasmids that were  
capable of supporting growth of Bemlp-depleted cells. We isolated plasmid YEp352-CaBEM1 carrying an open reading frame of 1,905 bp fulfilling this criterion and capable of encoding a homolog of Bemlp. Both DNA strands were sequenced by the dideoxy chain termination  
method, and subcloning of various restriction endonuclease fragments indicated that this open reading frame was responsible for complementation.

## Construction of *C. albicans* strains and plasmids

To construct a *CST20* null mutant, an *EcoRI* to *SacI* fragment from nucleotide positions 989 to 4,134 of *CST20* was subcloned into the Bluescript KS(+) vector (Stratagene) to yield plasmid pDH119. A plasmid that contained *CST20*-flanking sequences from nucleotides 989 to 1,674, and 3,423 to 4,134 joined with *BamHI* sites, was then created by PCR using the divergent oligodeoxynucleotide primers ODH68 (5'-  
CGGGATCCAGACCAACCACTCGAACTACT-3' (SEQ ID NO:1) and ODH69 (5'-CGGGATCCGAAGGTGAACCACCATATTTG-3' (SEQ ID NO:2); newly introduced *BamHI* sites are underlined) and  
plasmid pDH119 as a template. The amplified DNA was

cleaved with *Bam*HI and ligated with a 4 kb *Bam*HI to *Bgl*II fragment of a *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette derived from plasmid pCUB-6 (Fonzi, W. A. & Irwin, M. Y. (1993) *Genetics* **134**, 717-728) to yield plasmid pDH183. This  
5 plasmid was linearized with *Xho*I and *Sac*I and transformed into the *Ura*<sup>-</sup> *C. albicans* strain CAI4 (Fonzi, W. A. & Irwin, M. Y. (1993) *Genetics* **134**, 717-728) to partially replace the coding region of one of the chromosomal *CST20* alleles with the *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette by  
10 homologous recombination. *Ura*<sup>+</sup> transformants were selected on *Ura*<sup>-</sup> medium, and integration of the cassette into the *CST20* locus was verified by Southern blot analysis. Spontaneous *Ura*<sup>-</sup> derivatives of two of the heterozygous disruptants were selected on medium  
15 containing 5-fluoroorotic acid. These clones were screened by Southern blot hybridization to identify those which had lost the *URA3* gene by intrachromosomal recombination mediated by the *hisG* repeats. This procedure was then repeated to delete the remaining functional allele of *CST20*.

A similar procedure was employed to delete the *CaCST20* gene. A 4.6 kb *Xba*I fragment of YEp352-*CaCLA4* was subcloned into the pBluescript KS(+) vector (Stratagene) to yield plasmid pDH205. A plasmid that  
25 contained *CaCLA4* flanking sequences joined with *Bgl*II sites was then created by PCR using the divergent oligodeoxynucleotide primers OEL109 (5'-GAAGATCTTTGTAATCAATGTTCCCGTGGA-3' (SEQ ID NO:3) and OEL110 (5'-GAAGATCTCATCGTGATATTAAATCCGAT-3' (SEQ ID  
30 NO:4); newly introduced *Bgl*II sites are underlined) and plasmid pDH205 as template. The amplified DNA was cleaved with *Bgl*II and ligated with a 4 kb *Bam*HI-*Bgl*II fragment of a *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette derived from plasmid pCUB-6 (Fonzi, W. A. & Irwin, M. Y. (1993) *Genetics* **134**, 717-728) to yield plasmid pDH210. This  
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plasmid was linearized with *Pst*I and *Sac*I and transformed into the *Ura*<sup>-</sup> *C. albicans* strain CAI4 (Fonzi, W. A. & Irwin, M. Y. (1993) *Genetics* **134**, 717-728) to replace the coding region of one of the chromosomal  
5 *CaCLA4* alleles with the *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette by homologous recombination. *Ura*<sup>+</sup> transformants were selected on *Ura*<sup>-</sup> medium, and integration of the cassette into the *CaCLA4* locus was verified by Southern blot analysis. Spontaneous *Ura*<sup>-</sup> derivatives were then  
10 selected on medium containing 5-fluoroorotic acid. These clones were screened by Southern blot hybridization to identify those which had lost the *URA3* gene by intrachromosomal recombination mediated by the *hisG* repeats. This procedure was then repeated to delete the  
15 remaining functional allele of *CaCLA4*.

To reintegrate *CST20* into the genome of mutant strains, the *C. albicans* integration plasmid pDH190 was constructed by subcloning a *Kpn*I to *Pst*I fragment of *CST20* into pBS-c*URA3* (pBluescript KS(+)) into which the  
20 *C. albicans URA3* gene was cloned between the *Not*I and *Xba*I sites of the polylinker). The integration plasmid was then linearized with *Nsi*I and transformed into *C. albicans* to target integration into the *Nsi*I site of the *CST20A::hisG* fusion gene. Integrations were  
25 selected on *Ura*<sup>-</sup> medium and confirmed by Southern blot analysis.

The *C. albicans CST20* expression plasmid pDH188 was constructed by subcloning a *Sac*I to *Pst*I fragment of *CST20* into plasmid pVEC carrying a *C. albicans*  
30 autonomously replicating sequence and *URA3* as selectable marker. The *C. albicans* plasmid pVEC-*CaCLA4* was constructed by subcloning the *Kpn*I to *Sac*I insert of YEp 352-*CaCLA4* into plasmid pVEC.

### Northern blot analyses

Northern blots of total and poly (A)<sup>+</sup> RNA from *C. albicans* cells were performed as described (Leberer, E. et al. (1992) *EMBO J.* 11, 4815-4824). Signals were  
5 quantified by 2-D radioimaging.

### Animal experiments

Eight week-old, male CFW-1 mice (Halan-Winkelmann, Paderborn, Germany) were inoculated with  $1 \times 10^5$  or  $1 \times 10^6$  cells by intravenous injection. Survival  
10 curves were calculated according to the Kaplan-Meier method using the PRISM™ program (GraphPad Software Inc., San Diego) and compared using the log-rank test. A P value <0.05 was considered significant.

To quantify colony-forming *C. albicans* units in  
15 kidneys, mice were sacrificed by cervical dislocation 48 hours after injection and kidneys were homogenized in 5 ml phosphate buffered saline, serially diluted and plated on YNG medium (0.67% yeast nitrogen base, 1% glucose, pH 7.0). Histological examination of kidney  
20 sections was done with periodic acid Schiff's stain.

## RESULTS

### Isolation and characterization of *CST20*

A *C. albicans* homolog of the *S. cerevisiae* *STE20*  
25 gene was cloned by functional complementation of the pheromone signaling defect of *S. cerevisiae* cells that were deleted for the *STE20* gene. The mating defect of the *STE20* deleted *S. cerevisiae* strain YEL20 was fully complemented by introduction of the centromeric plasmid  
30 pRL53 carrying full length *CST20* (mating efficiency was  $81 \pm 9\%$  in cells expressing *CST20*, compared with  $85 \pm 8\%$  in cells expressing *STE20*; n=3). Similarly, defects in growth arrest and morphological changes in response to pheromone were completely cured by transformation with  
35 the *CST20* plasmid.

As shown in Fig. 1, nitrogen deficiency-induced pseudohyphae formation, which is blocked by disruption of *STE20* in diploid cells (Liu, H., Styles, C. & Fink, G. R. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744), was restored by introduction of the *CST20* plasmid. Colonies of the diploid *STE20* wild type strain L5266 (4) (Fig. 1A) and the isogenic *ste20/ste20* strain HLY492 (4) transformed with either the control plasmid pRS316 (Fig. 1B), the *CST20* plasmid pRL53 (Fig. 1C), or the *STE20* plasmid pSTE20-5 (9) (Fig. 1D) were grown on nitrogen starvation medium (2) for 5 days at 30°C. Photomicrographs were taken with a 4x objective (bar=1mm).

As illustrated in Fig. 2, the cytokinesis defect caused by deletion of *CLA4*, encoding an *S. cerevisiae* isoform of Ste20p (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830), was not complemented by *CST20* (Fig. 2). However, the lethality caused by deletion of both *STE20* and *CLA4* (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830), could be rescued by *CST20* (Fig. 2). The diploid strain YEL306 heterozygous for *ste20Δ ::TRP1/STE20 cla4Δ ::LEU2/CLA4* was transformed with plasmid pRS316 carrying either no insert, *CLA4* (pRL21), *CST20* (pRL53) or *STE20* (pSTE20-5), and then sporulated and dissected. No viable haploid *ste20Δ cla4Δ* spores were obtained from transformants with the plasmid without insert, but were obtained from transformants with plasmids carrying *CLA4* (Fig. 2A), *STE20* (Fig. 2B) or *CST20* (Fig. 2C).

Cells were grown to mid-exponential phase in YPD medium at 30°C. No viable *ste20Δ cla4Δ* segregants were obtained in medium containing 5-fluoro-orotic acid suggesting that the plasmids were essential for viability. Neither *STE20* nor *CST20* were able to suppress the morphological defect of *cla4Δ* cells. Photomicrographs



were taken by phase contrast with a 40x objective (bar=30  $\mu$ m).

The open reading frame of *CST20* is capable of encoding a protein of 1,229 amino acids with a predicted molecular weight of 133 kDa and a domain structure characteristic of the Ste20p/p65<sup>PAK</sup> family of protein kinases (Fig. 3). Numerals at the left margin indicate nucleotide and amino acid positions (Fig. 3). Nucleotide 1 corresponds to the first nucleotide of the initiation codon and amino acid 1 to the first residue of the deduced protein. The putative p21 binding domain has been shadowed, and the kinase domain has been boxed.

The catalytic domain present in the carboxyl terminal half of the protein has sequence identities of 76 and 56%, respectively, with *S. cerevisiae* Ste20p (Leberer, E. et al. (1992) *EMBO J.* 11, 4815-4824) and Cla4p (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* 9, 1817-1830). The amino terminal, non-catalytic region contains a sequence from amino acid residues 473 to 531 with 68% identity to the p21 binding domain of Ste20p that has been shown to bind the small GTPase Cdc42p. This region contains the sequence motif ISxPxxxxHxxH thought to be important for the interaction of the p21 binding domain with the GTP-bound forms of Cdc42Hs and Rac1 (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* 9, 1817-1830). The remaining non-catalytic sequences are less conserved. Unique sequences not present in Ste20p and the other members of the family are found at the amino terminus and between the p21 binding and catalytic domains.

A *CST20* transcript of 4.9 kb in size was detected in Northern blots. This transcript was present at similar levels in yeast cells grown in YPD at

room temperature and germ tubes induced by a temperature shift to 37°C.

#### Isolation and characterization of *CaCLA4*

5 A *C. albicans* homolog of the *S. cerevisiae CLA4* gene was cloned by functional complementation of the growth defect of *S. cerevisiae* cells that were deleted for the *STE20* and *CLA4* genes.

10 The open reading frame of the *CaCLA4* gene is capable of encoding a protein of 971 amino acids with a predicted molecular weight of 107 kDa and a domain structure characteristic of the Ste20p family of protein kinases (Fig. 7). The catalytic domain present in the carboxyl terminal half of the protein has sequence identities of 74, 63 and 64%, respectively, with *S.*  
15 *cerevisiae* Cla4p, *S. cerevisiae* Ste20p and an uncharacterized open reading frame present in the *S. cerevisiae* genome, 65% with the *C. albicans* Ste20p homolog Cst20p, and 61% with rat p65<sup>PAK</sup> (Fig. 7). The amino terminal, noncatalytic region contains a sequence from amino acid  
20 residues 69 to 180 with similarity to pleckstrin homology (PH) domains and a sequence from amino acid residues 229 to 292 with 63% identity to the Cdc42p binding domain of *S. cerevisiae* Cla4p that has been shown to bind the small GTPase Cdc42p (Cvrckova, F. et al.  
25 (1995) *Genes Dev.* 9, 1817-1830). The remaining noncatalytic sequences are less conserved.

#### Chromosomal deletion of *CST20*

Homologous recombination was used in a multistep procedure to partially delete *CST20* in a *URA*<sup>-</sup> *C. albi*  
30 *cans* strain (Fig. 4A). PCR with the divergent oligodeoxynucleotides ODH68 and ODH69 was used to partially delete the coding sequence of *CST20*. A *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette was then inserted. The deletion was confirmed by Southern blot analyses (Fig. 4B). The genomic DNA  
35 samples digested with *Xho*I were from following strains:

Lane #1, CAI4 (*ura3/ura3 CST20/CST20*); lane 2, CDH15 (*ura3/ura3 CST20/cst20Δ::hisG-URA3-hisG*); lane 3, CDH18 (*ura3/ura3 CST20/cst20Δ::hisG*); lane 4, CDH22 (*ura3/ura3 cst20Δ::hisG-URA3-hisG/cst20Δ::hisG*); lane 5, CDH25 (*ura3/ura3 cst20Δ::hisG/cst20Δ::hisG*). Northern blots showed that the *CST20* transcript was absent in the corresponding homozygous deletion strains.

The lateral outgrowth of hyphae from colonies grown on solid "Spider" media containing mannitol or sorbitol was completely blocked by deletion of *CST20* (Fig. 5B).

Mycelial formation was drastically reduced when the media contained galactose, mannose or raffinose. The mutant strains regained the ability to form hyphae when wild type *CST20* was reintroduced by transformation with the *CST20* expression plasmid pDH188 or reintegrated into the genome by targeted homologous recombination (Fig. 5C). The *CST20* transcript was detected in these strains by Northern blot analysis.

Mutant strains formed hyphae when colonies were grown on "Spider" media containing either glucose or N-acetyl glucosamine. Normal hyphae formation was also observed on rice agar and on agar containing Lee's medium or 10% serum. The frequency of germ-tube formation in either liquid Lee's medium, 10% serum or liquid "Spider" media containing any of the sugars tested above, were also normal. These results indicate that *Cst20p* is not required for hyphae formation under all conditions but are involved in the lateral formation of mycelia on some solid surfaces.

#### **Chromosomal deletion of *CaCLA4***

Homologous recombination was used in a multistep procedure to delete both alleles of *CaCLA4* in *C. albicans* (Fig. 8A). Fig. 8A shows the restriction endonuclease map of *CaCLA4*. The coding sequence is indicated

by the arrow. PCR with the divergent oligodeoxynucleotides OEL109 and OEL110 was used to delete the coding sequence of *CaCLA4*. A *hisG-URA3-hisG* cassette was then inserted and a two-step procedure was used to delete both alleles of *CaCLA4* by homologous recombination. The endonuclease restriction sites are as follows: B, *Bam*HI; Bg, *Bgl*II; E, *Eco*RI; H, *Hind*III; P, *Pst*I; S, *Sac*I; X, *Xba*I. The deletions were confirmed by Southern blot analyses (Fig. 8B). Southern blot analysis with a 1.1 kb *CaCLA4* fragment from *Pst*I-*Xba*I as a probe. The genomic DNA samples digested with *Eco*RI were from following strains: Lanes: 1, CAI4 (*ura3/ura3 CaCLA4/CaCLA4*); 2, CDH77 (*ura3/ura3 CaCLA4/cac1a4Δ::hisG-URA3-hisG*); 3, CDH88 (*ura3/ura3 CaCLA4/cac1a4Δ::hisG*); 4, CLJ1 (*ura3/ura3 cac1a4Δ::hisG-URA3-hisG/cac1a4Δ::hisG*); and 5, CLJ5 (*ura3/ura3 cac1a4Δ::hisG/cac1a4Δ::hisG*). Northern blots showed that the *CaCLA4* transcript with a size of 4.1 kb was reduced to about 40% in heterozygous *CaCLA4/cac1a4Δ* cells and was absent in homozygous *cac1a4Δ/cac1a4Δ* deletion cells (Fig. 8C). The transcript was present at about wild-type levels when the *CaCLA4* gene was retransformed into the homozygous deletion cells by using an autonomously replicating plasmid carrying the *CaCLA4* gene (Fig. 8C). Northern blot analysis of poly(A)<sup>+</sup> RNA isolated from following strains grown in the yeast form in YPD at 30°C: Lanes: 1, SC5314 (wild-type); 2, CDH88; 3, CLJ5 transformed with pVEC; 4, CLJ5 transformed with pVEC-*CaCLA4*. The blot was probed with fragments specific for *CaCLA4* (upper panel) or *CaACT1* (lower panel) and quantified by radioimaging. Numbers at the bottom of the figure depict the relative amounts of *CaCLA4* transcript in relation to the amounts of *CaACT1* transcript (mean values of two independent experiments).

We found that viability of *C. albicans* cells was not affected by deleting either one or both alleles of *CaCLA4*. Mutant cells showed the same growth behavior as wild-type cells, independently whether the cells were  
5 grown under conditions favoring either the yeast or filamentous forms. However, deletion of both *CaCLA4* alleles generated defects in cellular morphology producing a heterogeneous population of aberrantly shaped cells that were frequently multibudded and multinucle-  
10 ated. This phenotype indicates a defect in cytokinesis resembling the phenotype of *S. cerevisiae* cells deleted for *CLA4* (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830).

Deletion of both *CaCLA4* alleles caused defects  
15 in hyphal formation in all media and under all conditions that we investigated. When morphological switching was induced in liquid media by either serum, N-acetyl glucosamine, proline, pH increase, temperature shift, or Lee's medium, wild-type cells and cells  
20 deleted for only one or both alleles of *CaCLA4* produced germ tubes after about 30 minutes. In wild-type cells and cells deleted for only one allele of *CaCLA4*, these germ tubes elongated and grew into long hyphae after prolonged incubation. Cells deleted for both alleles of  
25 *CaCLA4* failed to produce hyphae, however. Instead, these cells produced multiple short protrusions giving rise to an aberrant morphology.

On solid media containing either serum, rice agar or mannitol, the normal formation of mycelia was  
30 completely suppressed by deletion of both *CaCLA4* alleles. This phenotype was reversed by introducing the *CaCLA4* gene on a plasmid, and deletion of only one allele had no effect.

### Virulence studies

To determine the role of Cst20p for virulence, mice were injected intravenously with wild type and mutant strains and monitored for survival and for fungal invasion into kidneys. We found that the Ura<sup>-</sup> strain CAI4 was not pathogenic (Figs. 6A and B). However, infection with Ura<sup>+</sup> wild type cells resulted in rapid mortality with a rate that was dependent on the dose of injected cells ( $1 \times 10^6$  cells in Fig. 6A, and  $1 \times 10^5$  cells in Fig. 6B). Survival was significantly prolonged, however, in mice infected with Ura<sup>+</sup> cells deleted for both alleles of *CST20* (*cst20Δ/cst20Δ::URA3*). This effect, which was reproducible and statistically significant, was observed at high (Fig. 6A) or low (Fig. 6B) doses of infection (with P values of 0.027 and 0.001, respectively) and correlated with colony-forming units per kidney ( $1.5 \times 10^6$  for wild type cells and  $7 \times 10^5$  for *cst20Δ/cst20Δ::URA3* mutant cells) after 48 hours of infection with  $1 \times 10^6$  cells. These effects on virulence could be reversed by reintroducing *CST20* into the strain deleted for both *CST20* alleles, and were not observed in Ura<sup>+</sup> cells deleted for only one *CST20* allele. A histological examination revealed that cells deleted for both alleles of *CST20*, were able to form hyphae in infected kidneys (Fig. 6C).

To investigate whether CaCla4p is required for virulence, mice were injected intravenously with wild-type and mutant *C. albicans* strains and monitored for survival and for fungal invasion into kidneys. Infections with *CaCLA4* wild-type cells (strain SC5314) resulted in rapid mortality (Fig. 9). No difference in the mortality rate was observed after infection with cells deleted for only one allele of *CaCLA4* (strain CDH77). All mice survived, however, after infection with cells deleted for both alleles of *CaCLA4* (strain

CLJ1 and CLJ5pVEC1). This effect correlated with a reduction in the amount of colony-forming units per kidney of infected animals and was reversed by transformation of the cells with a plasmid carrying the *CaCLA4* gene (strain CLJ5CaCLA4) (Fig. 9). A histological examination revealed that kidneys from mice injected with either wild-type cells or cells deleted for one allele of *CaCLA4* were heavily infected with *C. albicans* cells that produced hyphae densely penetrating the animal tissue (Fig. 10, left panel), whereas kidneys from mice injected with cells deleted for both *CaCLA4* alleles contained small foci of aberrantly shaped cells that frequently carried multiple protrusions (Fig. 10, right panel). The morphologies of these cells were similar to those induced by serum under *in vitro* conditions. Thus, the function of *CaCla4p* is required for morphological switching of *C. albicans* under *in vitro* and *in vivo* conditions and for virulence.

#### 20 Molecular cloning of the *CaCDC42* and *CaBEM1* genes

A *C. albicans* homolog of the *CaCDC42* gene was cloned by functional complementation of the temperature-sensitive growth defect of *S. cerevisiae* cells carrying the *cdc42-1<sup>ts</sup>* mutation. The growth defect was fully complemented by plasmid YEp352-*CaCDC42*. The open reading frame of the *CaCDC42* gene is capable of encoding a protein of 191 amino acids with homology to the Rho-family of small G-proteins (Fig. 11). The highest homology is found with *Cdc42p* from *S. cerevisiae*.

30 A *C. albicans* homolog of the *CaBEM1* gene was cloned by functional complementation of the growth defect of *S. cerevisiae* cells deleted for the *BEM1* gene. This defect was fully complemented by plasmid YEp352-*CaBEM1* carrying the *CaBEM1* gene. The open reading frame of the *CaBEM1* gene is capable of encoding a

protein of 635 amino acids with a domain structure characteristic of Bemlp (Fig. 12). CaBemlp contains two conserved SH3 domains which are most homologous to the SH3 domains of Bemlp, and also has homology to Bemlp outside of the SH3 domains.

### Discussion

In *S. cerevisiae*, Ste20p fulfills multiple functions during mating (Leberer, E. et al. (1992) *EMBO J.* **11**, 4815-4824), pseudohyphae formation (Liu, H., Styles, C. & Fink, G. R. (1993) *Science* **262**, 1741-1744), invasive growth (Roberts, R. L. & Fink, G. R. (1994) *Genes Dev.* **8**, 2974-2985) and cytokinesis (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* **9**, 1817-1830). *CST20* expression in *S. cerevisiae* fully complements these functions. Thus, Cst20p has the potential to fulfill similar functions in *C. albicans*.

The yeast-to-hyphal transition of *C. albicans* is a morphological change that can be triggered by a wide variety of factors. Carbohydrates, amino acids, salts, and serum have been described as inducers of germ tube formation, as have pH changes, temperature increases and starvation, but no single environmental factor could be defined as uniquely significant in stimulating the morphological switch. Hence *C. albicans* appears capable of responding to many divergent environmental signals. Disruption of both *CPH1* alleles, which encode a homolog of the *S. cerevisiae* Stel2p transcription factor (Liu, H. et al. (1994) *Science* **266**, 1723-1726), suppressed the lateral formation of mycelia from colonies grown on solid "Spider" medium, but did not block hyphal development in other media. We have shown that *C. albicans* mutant cells deleted for *CST20* display a similar phenotype, and that the effect of these mutations on hyphal development is dependent on the carbon source in which the cells were grown.



These observations are consistent with the idea that several signaling pathways can trigger morphogenesis in *C. albicans*. Furthermore, the behavior of *C. albicans* mutant strains deleted for either *CPH1* or *CST20* indicates that these pathways might operate independently to activate hyphal development under differing environmental conditions. *C. albicans* encounters a variety of different microenvironments during the development of superficial and systemic infections. Hence, the existence of parallel morphogenetic signaling pathways might provide a distinct advantage to this pathogen.

Our results indicate that the pathway controlled by Cst20p is not essential for virulence in a mouse model of systemic infections. It is not inconceivable that this pathway plays a role in other forms of infections, for example in the development of superficial infections of the mucosal epithelia (thrush). An as yet undefined role of Cst20p in pathogenicity outside of the Cst20 signaling pathway is suggested, however, by prolonged survival of mice infected with *cst20* deleted cells. It is unlikely that this effect is caused by defects in hyphal formation since a histological examination of infected kidneys revealed that the *CST20* deleted cells are not restricted in their capacity to form hyphae.

In *S. cerevisiae*, Cla4p plays a role in cytokinesis and shares with Ste20p an essential function for polarized growth during budding (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* 9, 1817-1830). Cla4p binds the Rho-like small G-protein Cdc42p (Cvrckova, F. et al. (1995) *Genes Dev.* 9, 1817-1830) which is involved in controlling cell polarity during budding and in response to pheromone. Like Ste20p and the mammalian homolog p21-activated kinase (p65<sup>PAK</sup>), Cla4p is able to phosphory-

late and activate myosin-I, a mechanism that may contribute to the organization of the actin cytoskeleton.

Our finding that *CaCLA4* expression in *S. cerevisiae* completely complements the *Cla4p* functions suggests that *CaCla4p* may have similar properties in *C. albicans*. Thus, *CaCla4p* may be required for myosin-I driven polarized growth during hyphal formation in a mechanism that may involve the *C. albicans* homolog of *Cdc42p*. Our complementation assays in *S. cerevisiae* suggest that *CaCla4p* may share an essential function with *Cst20p*, the *C. albicans* homolog of *Ste20p* (Figs. 6A and 6B). This notion suggests, together with our findings that null mutants of *CaCLA4* are completely non-pathogenic (Fig. 10) and null mutants of *CST20* are reduced in virulence (Figs. 6A and 6B), that *CaCla4p* and *Cst20p*, and proteins such as *CaCdc42p* and *CaBemlp* interacting with these protein kinases, may be valid targets for the development of antifungal agents.

The present invention will be more readily understood by referring to the following examples which are given to illustrate the invention rather than to limit its scope.

#### EXAMPLE I

##### **Screening test for inhibitors of *CaCla4p* and *Cst20p***

An *in vitro* assay containing the proteins *CaCla4p* and/or *Cst20p* will be used to test compounds inhibiting their activity to render avirulent any fungi, which may be pathogenic.

The activity of the protein will be monitored to determine if the compounds tested do inhibit their biological activity, using myelin basic protein as a substrate.

In cases where a selective inhibition of *CaCla4p* and *Cst20p* and not to *p65<sup>PAK</sup>* would be desired, compounds testing positive for the inhibition of both

CaCla4p and Cst20p will be tested to determine if they also inhibit the protein p65<sup>PAK</sup>. This would be useful in cases of pathogenic fungi infection such as for *C. albicans* where the fungi is to be rendered avirulent without affecting the normal protein of the patient p65<sup>PAK</sup>.

In some cases of inflammation, it would be desirable to be provided with compounds inhibiting all three proteins, namely, CaCla4p, Cst20p and p65<sup>PAK</sup>.

#### EXAMPLE II

##### **Screening test for inhibitors of CaCla4p and CaCdc42p interactions**

An *in vitro* assay containing the proteins CaCla4p and CaCdc42p will be used to test compounds inhibiting their interactions.

CaCla4p may be solid phase bound and CaCdc42p will be in suspension free to interact with CaCla4p. A labeled antibody specific to CaCdc42p will be added to the assay to determine the presence of CaCdc42p bound to CaCla4p. The compounds tested to inhibit the CaCdc42p-CaCla4p interactions, should when tested positive, cause only a minute quantity of CaCdc42p to bind to CaCla4p interactions.

The analogous *in vitro* assay will be used to test compounds that inhibit the interaction between Cst20p and CaCdc42p.

#### EXAMPLE III

##### **Screening test for inhibitors of CaCla4p and CaBemlp interactions**

An *in vitro* assay containing the proteins CaCla4p and CaBemlp will be used to test compounds inhibiting their interactions.

CaCla4p may be solid phase bound and CaBemlp will be in suspension free to interact with CaCla4p. A

labeled antibody specific to CaBemlp will be added to the assay to determine the presence of CaBemlp bound to CaCla4p. The compounds tested to inhibit the CaBemlp-CaCla4p interactions, should when tested positive, cause only a minute quantity of CaBemlp to bind to CaCla4p interactions.

The analogous *in vitro* assay will be used to test compounds that inhibit the interaction between Cst20p and CaBemlp.

#### EXAMPLE IV

##### **A two-hybrid CaCdc42p and CaCla4p interaction system in a humanized *S. cerevisiae* strain**

This screening assay is based on the assumption that the interaction of the small G-protein CaCdc42p with its cellular targets Cst20p and CaCla4p is essential for viability of *C. albicans* cells. This essential function is reasonable to assume based on work that has been performed in *S. cerevisiae* (Leberer E. et al. (1997) *Embo J.* 16, 83-97). The two hybrid interaction system will use green fluorescent protein fused to the *GAL1* promoter as a functional read out. This reporter gene will be integrated into a *S. cerevisiae* strain in which the *STE20* and *CLA4* genes have been replaced by the human homolog p65PAK. The *CaCDC42* gene will be fused to the DNA binding domain of *GAL4*, and the *CaCLA4* gene will be fused to the activation domain of *GAL4*. Interaction of the two proteins will cause green fluorescence. Whereas inhibitors of the interaction will suppress fluorescence.

Non-specific inhibitors of the two-hybrid interaction system will be excluded by performing a parallel screen with unrelated fusion proteins known to interact. Compounds of general toxicity or inhibitors of

the human homologs will also be excluded in this system because those compounds will not allow growth of the cells and therefore reduce the fluorescent readout in both parallel screens.

5           A two-hybrid yeast strain carrying the *GAL4-GFP* fusion gene is constructed. This strain will be deleted for the *CLA4* gene using the *TRP1* marker as described (Leberer E. et al. (1997) *Embo J.* 16, 83-97). The *STE20* gene will be replaced by the human *PAK* gene  
10 as described above. To replace the *CDC42* gene by its human homolog, an integrating plasmid will be constructed carrying the *HsCDC42* gene fused to a *URA3* blaster gene and *CDC42* flanking sequences. After linearization, the construct will be transformed into the  
15 *PAK* containing two-hybrid strain, and integrants will be selected on -ura medium. The *URA3* gene will then be looped out on FOA medium. The various gene disruptions and gene replacements will be verified by Southern blot analyses.

20           The two-hybrid vectors carrying the *CaCDC42* gene fused to the *GAL4*-DNA binding domain and the *CaCLA4* gene fused to the transcriptional activation domain of *GAL4* will be constructed by standard procedures. To facilitate the interaction of the two proteins, we will  
25 use site-directed mutagenesis to create a mutation in the CAAX-box domain of *CaCDC42p* to prevent isoprenylation and targeting of the fusion protein to the plasma membrane. We will evaluate and optimize the assay system and adapt the assay conditions to the  
30 scale used in microtiter plates for automated screening of compounds.

**EXAMPLE V****Detection of the presence of *C. albicans* using probes**

The sequences of either one of the genes *CaCLA4*,  
5 *CST20*, *CaCDC42* and *CaBEM1* may be used to derive probes  
for the detection of *C. albicans* using PCR techniques  
or hybridization assays.

**EXAMPLE VI**

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**Use of nucleotide sequences of *CaCLA4*, *CST20*, *CaCDC42*  
and *CaBEM1* to identify homologue from other fungi**

The nucleotide sequences of *CaCLA4*, *CST20*,  
*CaCDC42* and *CaBEM1* may be used to identify and clone  
15 homologues from other fungi.

**EXAMPLE VII****A *S. cerevisiae*-based screening system using *CaSte20p*  
20 and the pheromone signaling pathway as drug target**

In this system, we will use green fluorescent  
protein (GFP) under transcriptional control of a phero-  
mone inducible promoter (*FUS1*) as a read out. The  
pheromone signaling pathway and thereby the reporter  
25 gene will be induced with pheromone in two different  
strains. First, in a strain in which *STE20* is func-  
tionally replaced by the *CaSTE20* gene. And second, in  
a strain in which *STE20* is functionally replaced by the  
mammalian homolog *PAK*. Compounds that block the induc-  
30 tion of the reporter gene in the *CaSTE20* strain but not  
in the *PAK* strain are expected to be specific inhibi-  
tors of the *C. albicans* kinase. This assay is very  
specific and is a positive selection of compounds that  
excludes the finding of compounds with inhibitory  
35 action against the mammalian homolog *PAK* or compounds  
of general toxicity.

The *FUS1* gene, including its promoter, will be  
isolated by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) from

genomic DNA of *S. cerevisiae* and fused to the *GFP* gene from *Aequoria victoria* on a yeast expression plasmid. The function of the reporter gene will be analyzed after transformation of a *MATa* yeast strain and induction with pheromone.

The *STE20* gene will be replaced in a supersensitive *sst1* yeast strain by the human *PAK* gene using homologous recombination. For this purpose, an integrating plasmid will be constructed carrying the *PAK* gene fused to a *URA3* blaster gene and *STE20* flanking sequences. The construct will be linearized and transformed into yeast, and integrants will be selected on -ura medium. The *URA3* gene will then be looped out on FOA medium to gain back the *ura3* marker. Correct integration of the *PAK* gene will be confirmed by Southern blot analysis.

The humanized strain will then be transformed with the *FUS1-GFP* reporter gene and analyzed for a functional signaling pathway by measuring green fluorescence after induction with pheromone. The assay system will be evaluated, optimized and adapted to the scale used in microtiter plates.

#### EXAMPLE VIII

##### **Fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET) as probe for protein-protein interactions**

The engineering of different GFP mutants with altered fluorescence characteristics allows the use of fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET) to probe protein-protein interactions (Heim and Tsien (1996) Curr. Biol. 6, 178-182). The FRET phenomenon consists in a fluorescence transfer between a donor and a receptor fluorochrome. If excitation and emission wavelengths are compatible, the FRET is easily measurable. The main parameter of the reaction is the distance

between donor and receptor, which must be in the range of nanometers. This is precisely the kind of values in protein-protein interactions.

We propose to develop a novel yeast assay system which uses FRET to measure the *in vivo* interaction between CaCdc42p and Cacla4p. The *CaCDC42* gene will be fused to a *GFP* mutant that acts as donor, and the *CaCLA4* gene will be fused to a mutant that acts as receptor. The yeast strain used as an expression system will be humanized as described in Example VII. Inhibitors of the interaction are expected to reduce energy transfer, and this reduction can be easily measured spectroscopically. The interaction of unrelated proteins known to interact will be used as a reference to exclude non-specific inhibitors of the assay system. Compounds inhibiting the interaction of the human homologs or of general toxicity will be excluded by inhibition of growth and therefore reduced fluorescence in both screens.

The *CaCDC42* gene will be fused to the gene encoding the *GFP*<sup>Y66H</sup> mutant as donor, and the *CaCLA4* gene will be fused to the gene encoding the *GFP*<sup>S65T</sup> mutant as receptor (Heim and Tsien (1996), *Curr. Biol.* 6, 178-182). The constructs will then be transformed into the humanized yeast strain described in Example VII, and the FRET phenomenon will be analyzed in yeast cultures using fluorescence spectroscopy. The conditions for the assay will be worked out and optimized. We will adapt the assay conditions to the scale used in microtiter plates for automated screening.

While the invention has been described in connection with specific embodiments thereof, it will be understood that it is capable of further modifications and this application is intended to cover any variations, uses, or adaptations of the invention following,



in general, the principles of the invention and including such departures from the present disclosure as come within known or customary practice within the art to which the invention pertains and as may be  
5 applied to the essential features hereinbefore set forth, and as follows in the scope of the appended claims.

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  - (A) MEDIUM TYPE: Diskette
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  - (D) SOFTWARE: FastSEQ for Windows Version 2.0
- (vi) CURRENT APPLICATION DATA:
  - (A) APPLICATION NUMBER:
  - (B) FILING DATE:
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  - (A) APPLICATION NUMBER: 60/029,458
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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:1:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
  - (A) LENGTH: 29 base pairs
  - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
  - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
  - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:1:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 29 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 29 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 29 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 4492 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Genomic RNA

## (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Coding Sequence  
 (B) LOCATION: 355...4044  
 (D) OTHER INFORMATION:

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1230 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 3496 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Genomic DNA

(ix) **FEATURE:**

- (A) NAME/KEY: Coding Sequence  
(B) LOCATION: 432...3344  
(D) OTHER INFORMATION:

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 971 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

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His Pro His Leu Gln Ile Gln His Leu Thr Asn Gly Ser Leu Asn Gly
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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1031 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Genomic DNA

## (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Coding Sequence
- (B) LOCATION: 271...843
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 191 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

## (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

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Cys Phe Ser Val Ile Ser Pro Ala Ser Phe Glu Asn Val Lys Glu Lys
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Val Gly Thr Gln Thr Asp Leu Arg Asn Asp Asp Val Ile Leu Gln Arg
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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 2231 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Genomic DNA

## (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Coding Sequence
- (B) LOCATION: 291...2195
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION:

## (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 635 amino acids
  - (B) TYPE: amino acid
  - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
  - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear



(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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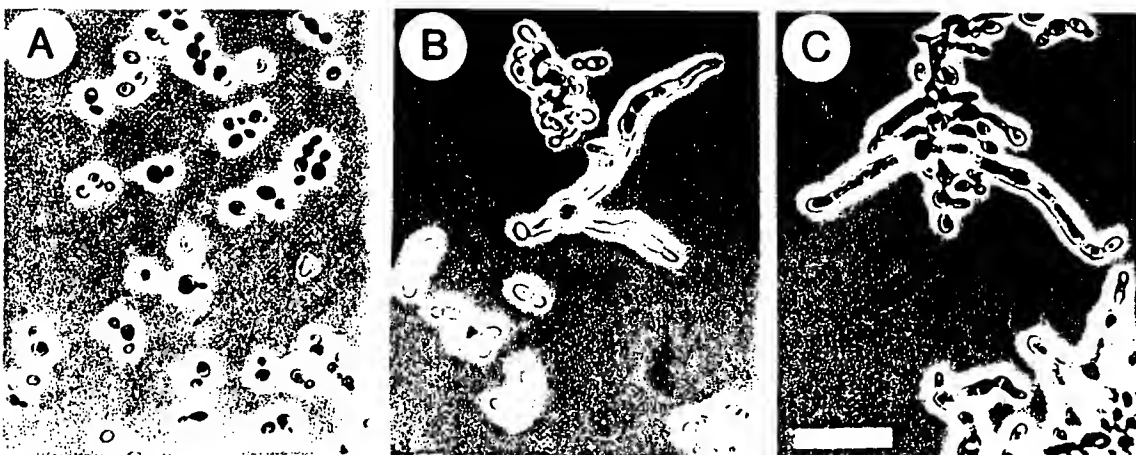
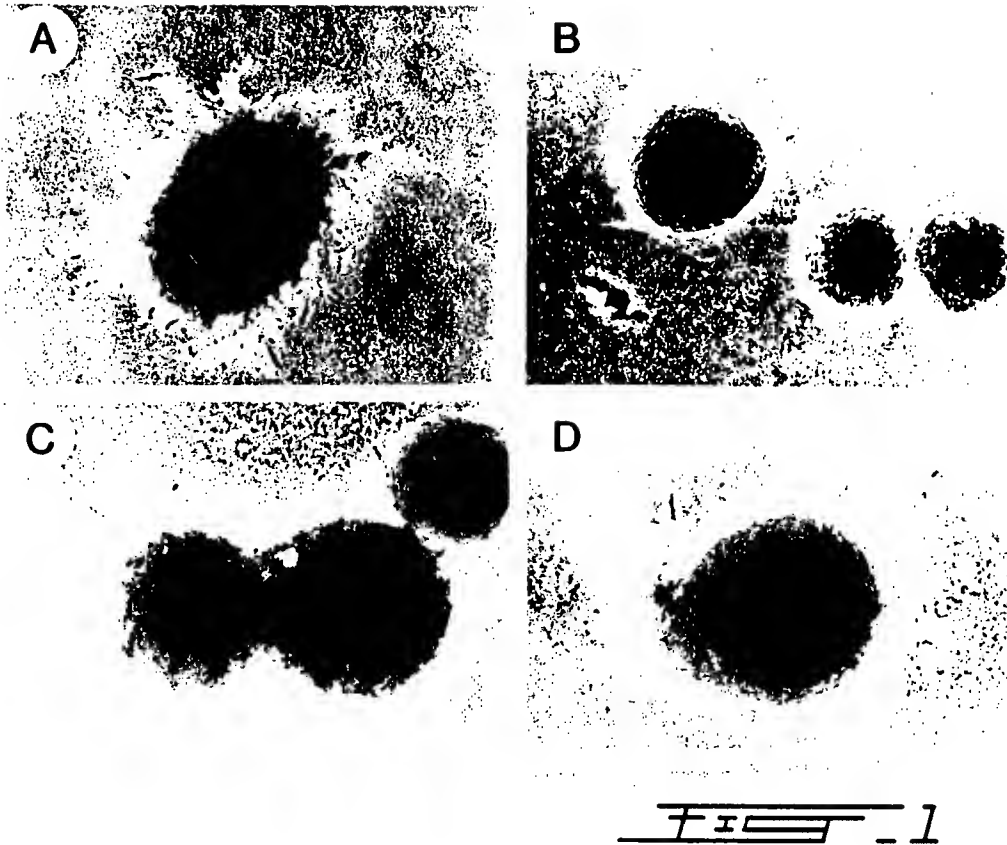
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**WE CLAIM:**

1. An *in vitro* screening test for compounds to inhibit the biological activity of at least one protein selected from the group consisting of CaCla4p, Cst20p, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp, which comprises:
  - a) at least one of said proteins; and
  - b) means to monitor the biological activity of said at least one protein;thereby compounds are tested for their inhibiting potential.
2. The screening test of claim 1, wherein the inhibition of the interactions between CaCla4p and CaCdc42p is determined.
3. The screening test of claim 1, wherein the inhibition of the interactions between Cst20p and CaCdc42p is determined.
4. The screening test of claim 1, wherein the inhibition of the interactions between CaCla4p and CaBemlp is determined.
5. The screening test of claim 1, wherein the inhibition of the interactions between Cst20p and CaBemlp is determined.
6. A method for determining at least one gene involved in filamentous growth associated with virulence, which comprises using one protein selected from the group consisting of CaCla4p, Cst20, CaCdc42p and CaBemlp to determine said gene.

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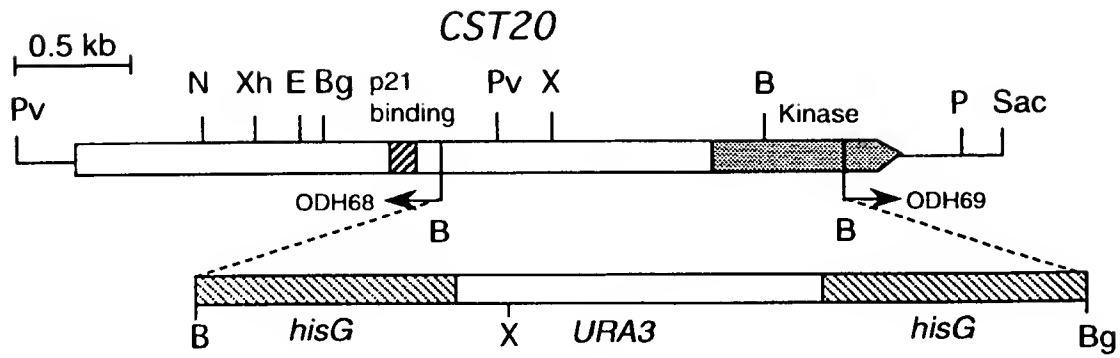
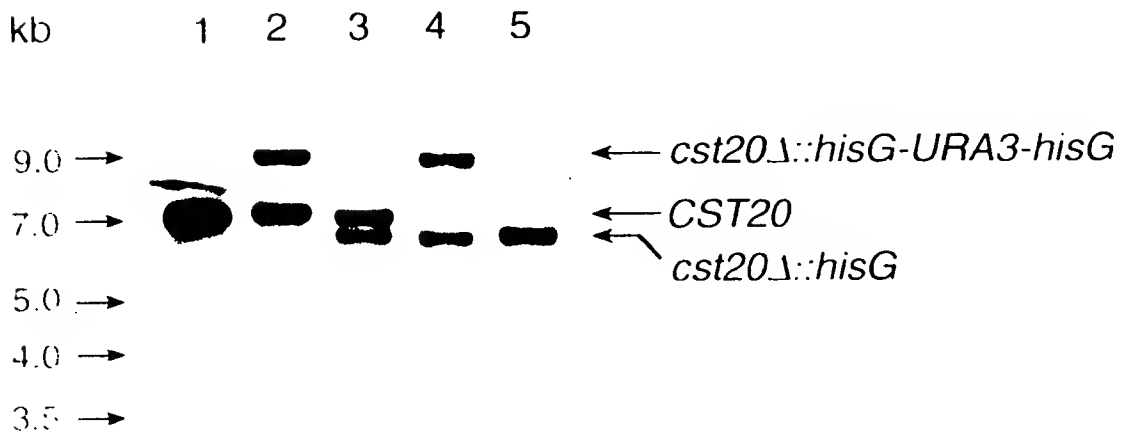
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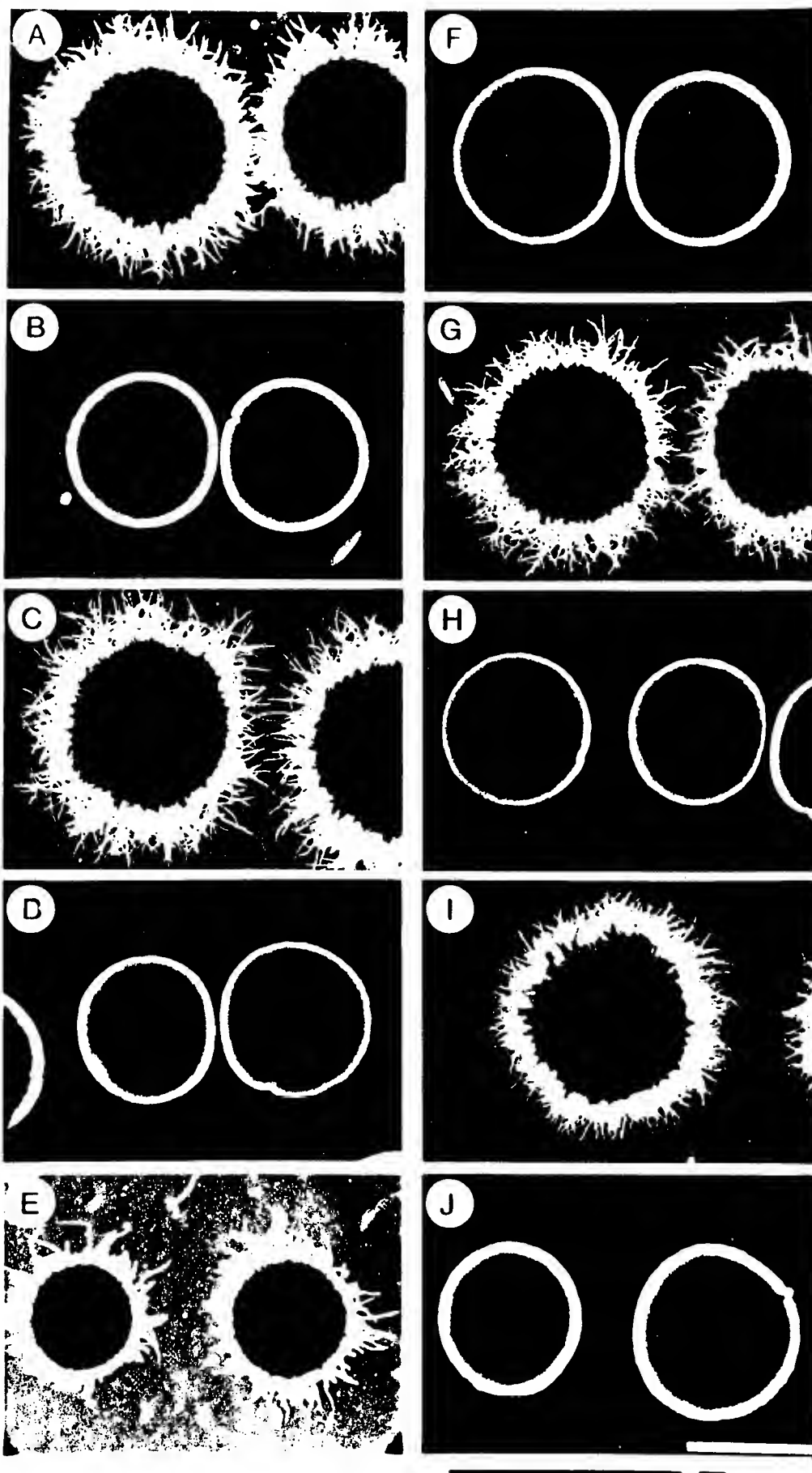
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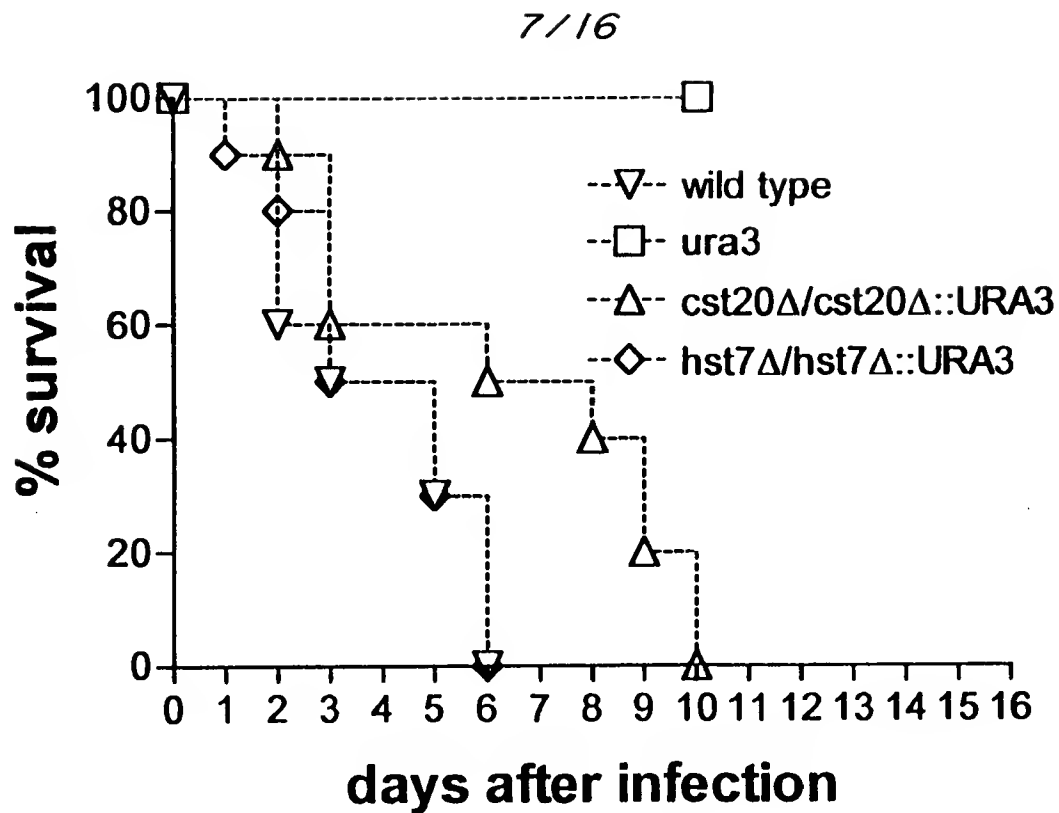
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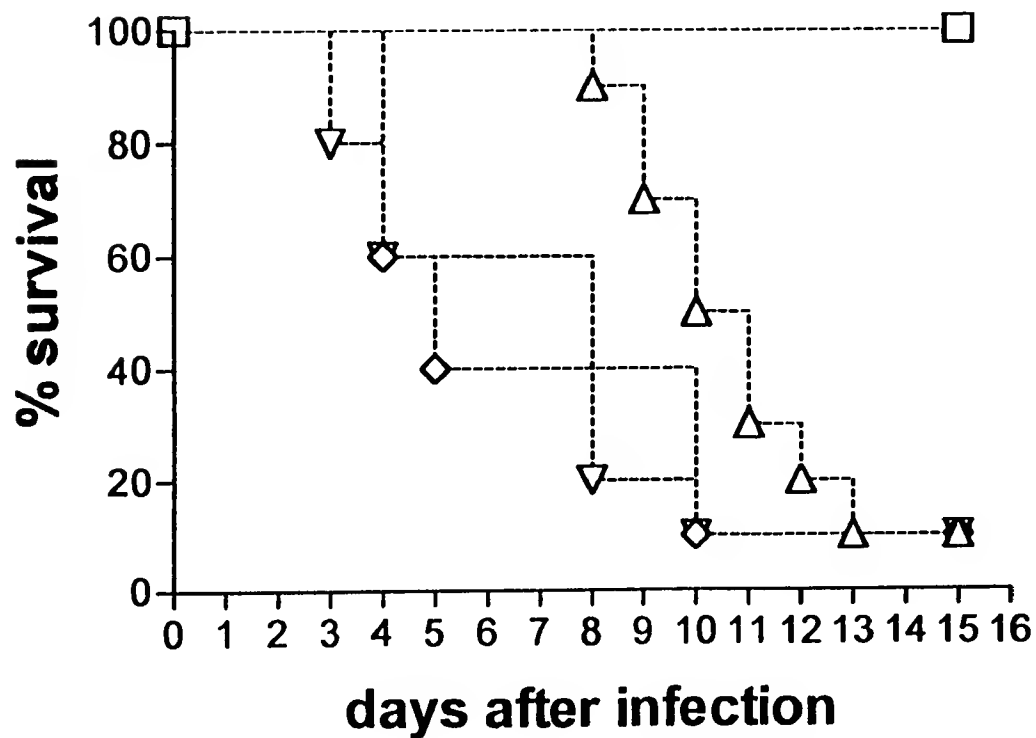


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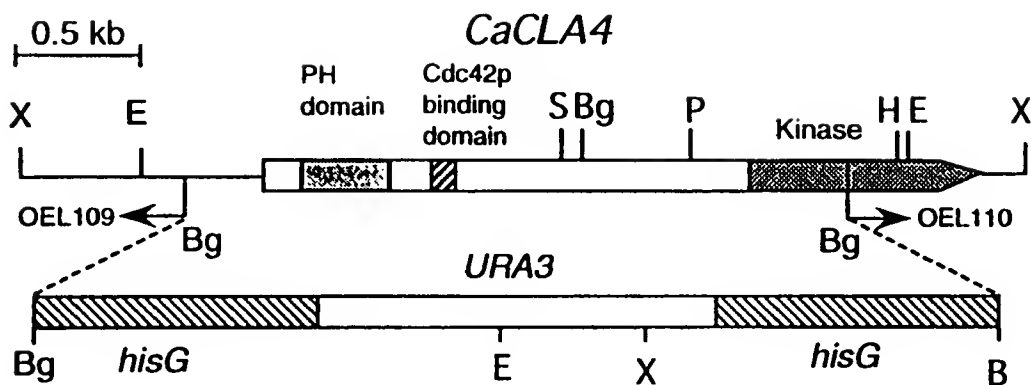
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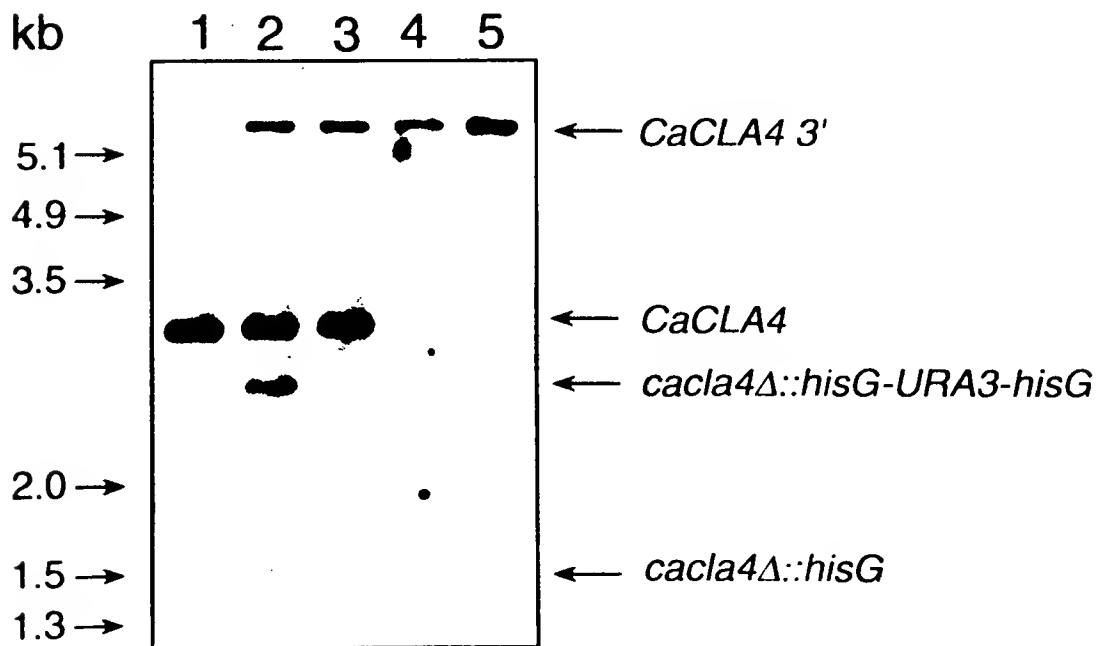

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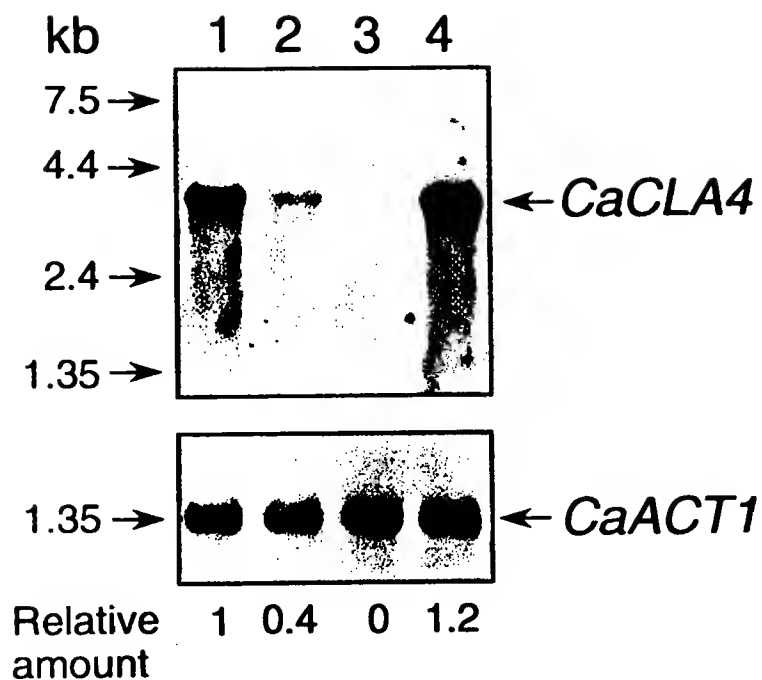


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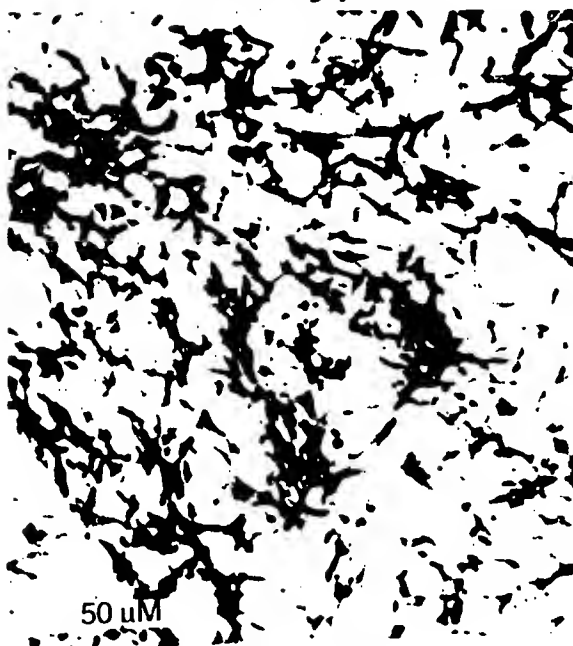
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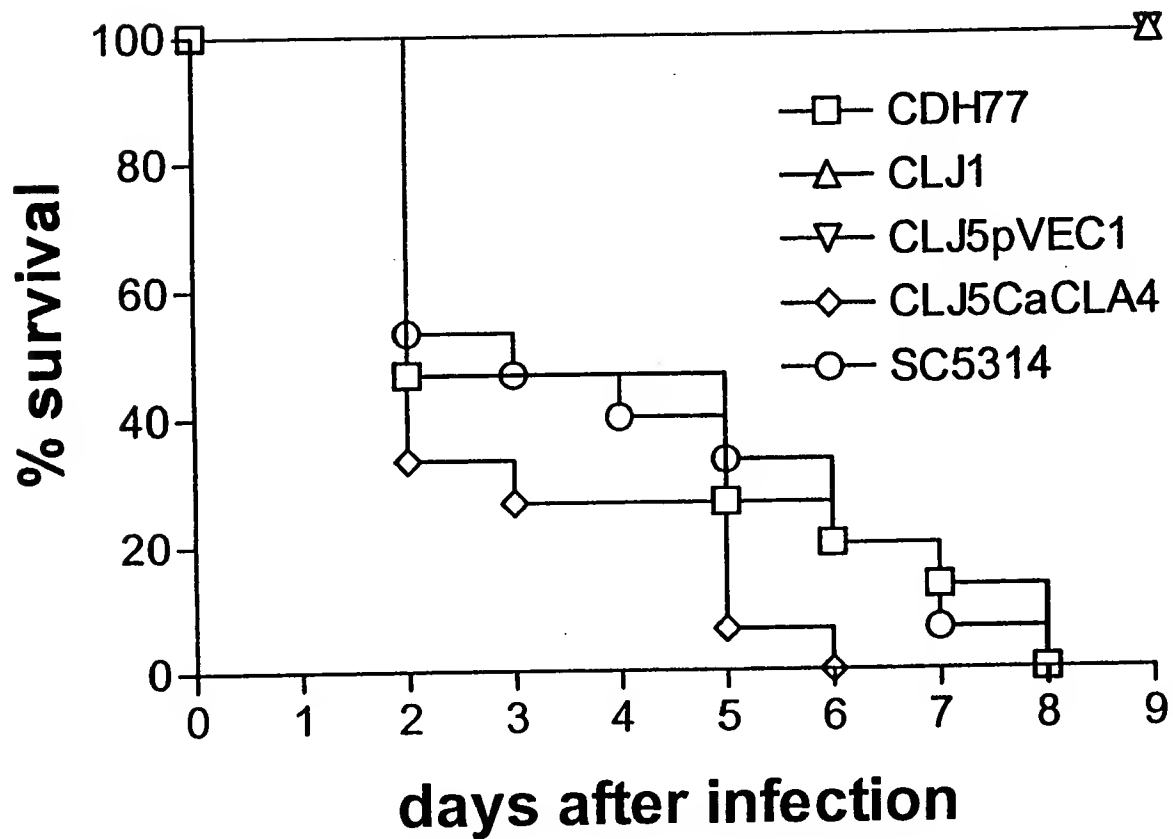
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# Pathogenicity of recombinant *C.albicans* in mice (n=15)

Figure 9



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